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Industrial harbor is also being developed and a special harbor for warships, including submarines, is being planned. River regulation is under way and the river is being deepened. The city's present population is 30,000, but barracks and houses for an additional 200,000 are being built.

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2. In the wide stretches north of the city a barracks camp to house approximately 600,000 forced laborers and prisoners is under construction. The laborers and prisoners will be used in the river regulation work and in building canals to connect Lake ONEGA and Lake LADOGA with the Volga River and the Arctic sea area. The thirty-three locks in the canals, which run in an east-west direction, will be reduced to fifteen, modernized and widened to double their width. The canals will also be widened, allowing passage for smaller warships, including submarines, in northern, western and eastern directions.
3. In SVERDLOVSK there is a large tin sheet-metal factory producing airplane parts.
4. The KIROV WORKS in SHEL'YABINSK employs 30,000 workers on each of three shifts. The main products are tanks and heavy tractors. Thirty T-34 tanks leave the plant daily. A larger tank of unknown type is produced in smaller quantity.
5. The V-2 plant formerly in NORDHAUSEN, Germany, is now located in KALINGRAD, a suburb of Moscow. The plant has been expanded and is operating on three shifts.
6. In DRUSCHKARKA-DONEZ (not located on maps available here) there is a well-guarded factory engaged exclusively in gas experiments. There are often explosion accidents. Three shifts of approximately 1,000 men each are maintained.

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